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REPLY TO  
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MEMORANDUM FOR SEE DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: Command Policy 2000-03, Animal Research Involving Wounding

1. References:

- a. 9 Code of Federal Regulations, Subchapter A, Parts 1 through 4, Federal Animal Welfare Regulations.
- b. Army Regulation (AR) 70-18, The Use of Animals in Department of Defense (DoD) Programs.
- c. Title 7, U.S. Code, Chapters 2131 through 2159, The Animal Welfare Act.
- d. DoD Directive 3216.1, Use of Laboratory Animals in DoD Programs.
- e. Dorland's Illustrated Medical Dictionary, 29<sup>th</sup> Edition

2. Purpose. This memorandum establishes the U.S. Army Medical Research and Materiel Command (USAMRMC) policy for conducting medical research, testing, or training with animals that involves inflicting wounds from any type of weapon(s).

3. Applicability and Scope. This memorandum is applicable to all subordinate units assigned to the U.S. Army Medical Research and Materiel Command (USAMRMC). For the purpose of this policy a wound is defined as "an injury or damage usually restricted to those caused by physical means with disruption of normal continuity of structures."

4. Policy.


- a. The purchase or use of dogs, cats, or nonhuman primates for inflicting wounds from any type of weapon(s) to conduct medical research, testing, or training protocols is prohibited.

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b. The purchase or use of live animals other than those listed in paragraph 4.a. for inflicting wounds from any type of weapon(s) to conduct medical research, testing, or training protocol(s) is not prohibited, but must be approved by the Chief, USAMRMC Animal Care and Use Review Office (ACURO) prior to initiation of the protocol or protocol modification.

5. Implementation. The Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee (IACUC) chair or IACUC administrator will forward protocols identified in paragraph 4.b. and modifications to these protocols to the USAMRMC ACURO within five days of IACUC approval. The Institutional Official will ensure that work does not begin on the protocol or modification until written ACURO approval is received.

  
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